

COACHELLA VALLEY MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY
Regular Meeting – May 12, 2008, 3:00 PM
73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Conference Room 115
Palm Desert, CA 92260

Tele-conference location:

State of California
Resources Agency
1416 Ninth St., Room 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

AGENDA

1.0 Call to Order & Introductions

2.0 Approval of Minutes of March 10, 2008 meeting

3.0 Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

At this time any member of the public may address the Governing Board on any item not on the agenda. The Board cannot take action on an item not on the agenda, but it can place it on the agenda for a future meeting. For items on the agenda, there will be an opportunity to speak when that item is heard. The Chair may limit the time for each speaker. Any written material may be submitted to the person taking minutes.

4.0 Closed Session – One matter is scheduled

Pursuant to Government Code sections 11126 (a)(1), 11126 (e)(1) and 11126.3(a) the Board may hold a closed session to discuss and take possible action on personnel matters and or receive advice of counsel on pending or potential litigation. In addition, pursuant to Government Code section 11126 (c) 7 (A) the Board may meet in closed session with its negotiator prior to the purchase or sale of real property by or for the state body to give instructions to its negotiator regarding the price and terms of payment for the purchase or sale. Confidential memoranda related to these issues may be considered during such closed session discussions. The item to be considered pertains to the Governing Board's giving instructions to its negotiator regarding the price and terms of payment for the sale of an easement interest in the property described in Agenda Item 5.3 below.

5.0 Public Hearing Items

- 5.1 Resolution 2008-08 approving a grant to the Friends of the Desert Mountains to assist with the acquisition of up to 4,263 acres in the Thermal Canyon area. [See Attachment 1.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)
- 5.2 Resolution 2008-09 approving a grant to the Friends of the Desert Mountains to assist with the acquisition of 100 acres in the Edom Hill

area. [See Attachment 2.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)

- 5.3 Resolution 2008-10 approving granting of a Wind Non-Obstruction Easement by the Center for Natural Lands Management to BP Alternative Energy (BP), through its subsidiary “Edom Hills Project 1, LLC”, on property acquired with a local assistance grant from the Conservancy. [See Attachment 3.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)
 - 5.4 Resolution 2008-11 approving a policy regarding local assistance grants as it pertains to fair market value of the property. [See Attachment 4.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)
 - 5.5 Appointment of a representative to the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission Trails Management Subcommittee. [See Attachment 5.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)
- 6.0 Discussion/Information items**
- 6.1 Overview of past Conservancy projects (requested by several Board Members at March meeting.) Oral presentation by staff.
- 7.0 Reports**
- 7.1 Written reports from staff [See Attachment 6.]
 - 7.2 Attorney General's Report [Oral report as needed.]
 - 7.3 Board Member comments and reports from Conservancy member agencies. This is an opportunity for any of the Governing Board Members to present a report on matters of interest regarding the agency he or she represents.
- 8.0 Adjourn to the July 14, 2008 meeting.**

***NOTICE OF TELECONFERENCE MEETING:**

Two members of the Conservancy Board, Pat Kemp and John Donnelly, will attend the meeting via teleconference. The location of this teleconference site is open to the public and accessible to the disabled.

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